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NOTE FOR: DDA

FROM:

Bill:

As you probably surmised from my reaction to the organizational proposals tabled last Friday, I am less than enthusiastic about a change in the organization at this time. For all the reasons I gave on Friday, and for all those I didn't but which we have discussed on other occasions, the thought of turning information responsibilities back to the technicians makes for a chilling scenario.

However, having said all that, let me assure you of my sensitivity to the underlying concerns which I assume motivated the OC proposal. I, too, am concerned that we need to choose our architectures of the future in close coordination with OC, technical security and our customers. This note is to let you know that I didn't just dismiss their concerns out of hand. I have asked our staff to propose a joint planning process that would build on our present one. (As you will recall, this was to be changed anyway.) OIT has semi-annual planning conferences and the next one is to be convened in the fall. I hope to target this as the first joint planning conference for OC and OIT.

Finally, let me disagree with in one additional area. I believe our people are the single most valuable resource we have in our efforts to keep us from heading down different paths. I will get a copy of our proposal to you and Dan in the next couple of weeks.

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